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Dead Word Puzzle

Chapter 1

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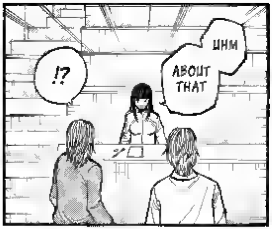
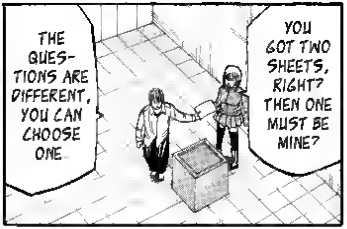
PEOPLE CAN PICK UP ANYTHING FROM A BOOK.
DOCTORS, SCHOLARS, TEACHERS, DETECTIVES, MURDERERS...
BOOKS CONTAIN ALL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE.
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH GENDER, AGE, OR NATIONALITY.
ARATA! GO TO THIRD PERIOD!
日下部つぐみ*
*T/N TSUGUMI KUSAKABE
THUD
黒木あらた*
*T/N ARATA KUROKI

デッドワード
DEAD WORD PUZZLES
パズル
第一話
田近康平
KOUHEI TAJIKA

CROSS WORD?
YEAH!
"YEAH"? YOU'RE VAGUE
DAHA-HA...!





TN: MASHIRO AKANE

KURO
—
I AM KURO.
BLA
HAH?
SO CUTE!
34 PLAYERS
SEEMS LIKE THIS CLASS IS CANCELLED
IS THIS SOME CIRCLE OF MISCHIEF?
KURO
—

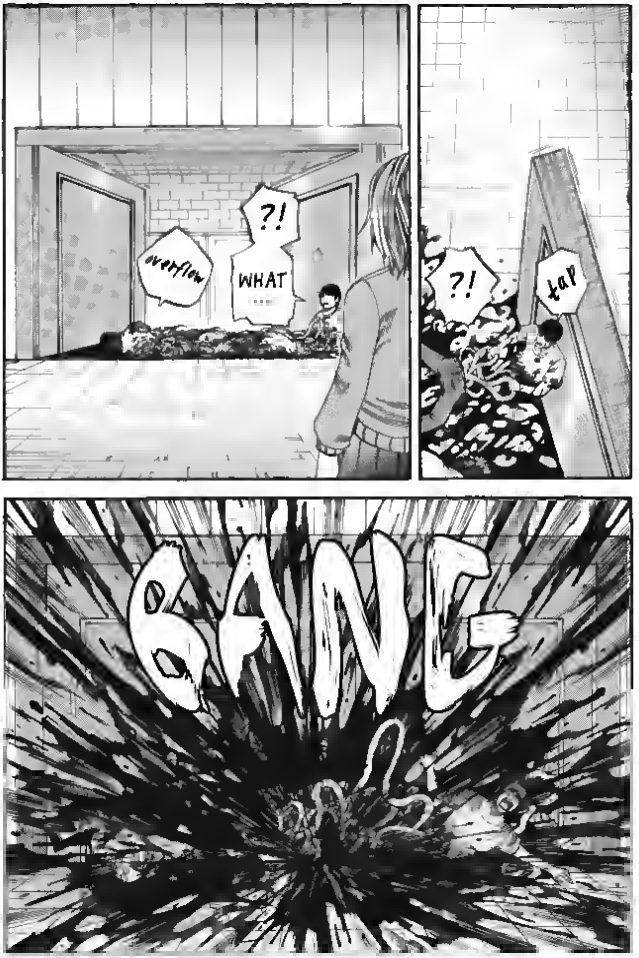
34 PLAYERS? IS THAT HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE HERE?
HURO-
34 REMAIN-ING
WAIT.
LET'S GO BACK.
?
LET'S HEAD TO THE CAFE-TERIA.
THIS IS A WASTE OF TIME.

BURST
SPURT
UUHHMM
TWISH

ARGH
GAK
AWK
DEAD.
THUD
AHHHHHHYAAA

OUT-SIDE...
AHH OUT...
CLANK
CLANK
AHH! IT WON'T OPEN!
CLANK
DEAD DEAD
DEAD
DEAD DEAD

DEAD
UG-HH
MY... MY...
PANT
PANT
PANT
Tremble
Tremble
THUMP


overflow
?!
WHAT
...
?!
tap
GANG

WHAT!! — ??
KY-AAA!
UWA AAH!
28 PEOPLE
REMAI-NING.

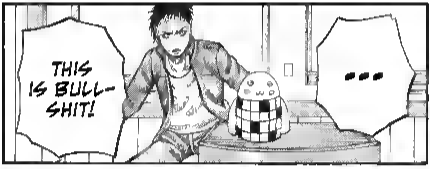
THAT'S SIX DEAD OUT OF 34.
28 REMAINING ...
A CORPSE ...
ARE YOU COUNTING?
THIS GUY IS...
HOWEVER ...

THIS STUFF OUTSIDE OF BOOKS ...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN ...
!?
HELP ME ...
?!
MOVE!

A CROSSWORD?
A LOSS OF OVER 2000 CC'S IS LETHAL. BESIDES...
H-HELP ME ...
HE'S BLEEDING TOO RAPIDLY FROM HIS TORSO TO BE SAVED.
AH
AH
YOU BASTARD !!
WHY ?!

THIS GUY DID THIS, DIDN'T HE?
HURO-
WHY!! THIS GUY!!
UEHH!!

!?
THIS GUY !!?


THIS IS BULL-SHIT!
...

!?

YOU CANNOT TOUCH HIM!!
YOU CANNOT TOUCH ....

OI!
SHUT UP!
IT'S USELESS! USELESS!
WHAT DO WE DO!?
OI!
USE YOUR PHONE!?
THERE'S NO SIGNAL!
WHAT IS THIS SHIT!!
CALM DOWN.
EVERYONE ELSE IS ALSO SCARED.
I KNOW.
THAT'S WHY WE NEED TO GET THE SITUATION IN ORDER.
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO CALM DOWN?!
PEOPLE HAVE DIED!

MOBILE PHONES ARE USELESS.
WE KNOW THAT FOR SURE.
BESIDES, WE CAN'T GET OUT.
DEAD.
WH-
WHY ...
?!
27 PEOPLE REMAINING.
HURO-
EHHH!?

GUUAAAAH!!
UWAHHHH!!
EH AA ?!
SWEHHS
BLOOD?
BLOOD?!

I CAN'T WAKE UP FROM THIS STRANGE REALITY
WHAT ON EARTH HAS HE CREATED...?
THAT ISN'T WRITTEN ABOUT IN BOOKS.
THAT GUY...
THAT IS SO UNEXPECTED.

GIII
DEAD.
23 PEOPLE REMAIN-ING
HIIII
DEAD.
DEAD.
DEAD
HIIIII!!
WHAT!! KUROOO!!

WHY ARE YOU LAUGH-ING.?
HA
HA
HA
?!
NOW!
!?
FUCK! WHY CAN'T WE GO OUT-SIDE?!
...?!

THE MOMENT THE CROSSWORD WAS SOLVED,
SOMEONE DIED.
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!!
"IN OTHER WORDS, WHEN I SOLVED THE PUZZLE, THEY DIED."
ONE PERSON SOLVES IT,
ONE PERSON DIES.

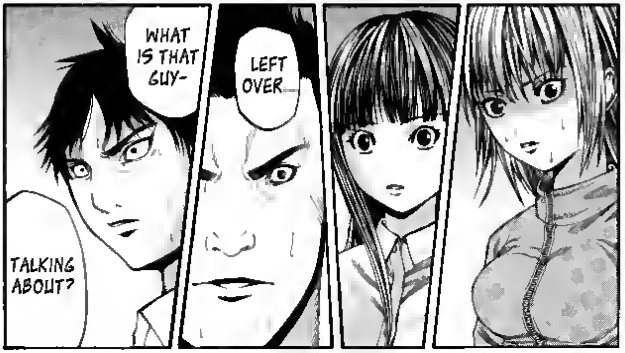
YOU BAST-ARDS!
AHH,
NANAMI, WHEN DID THE FIRST REVOLUTION OF MANKIND TAKE PLACE?
DON'T KNOW
EVEN IF I KNEW,
I WOULDN'T TELL YOU.
DONE!
ARE YOU REALLY MY GIRL-FRIEND?!
I GOT IT!

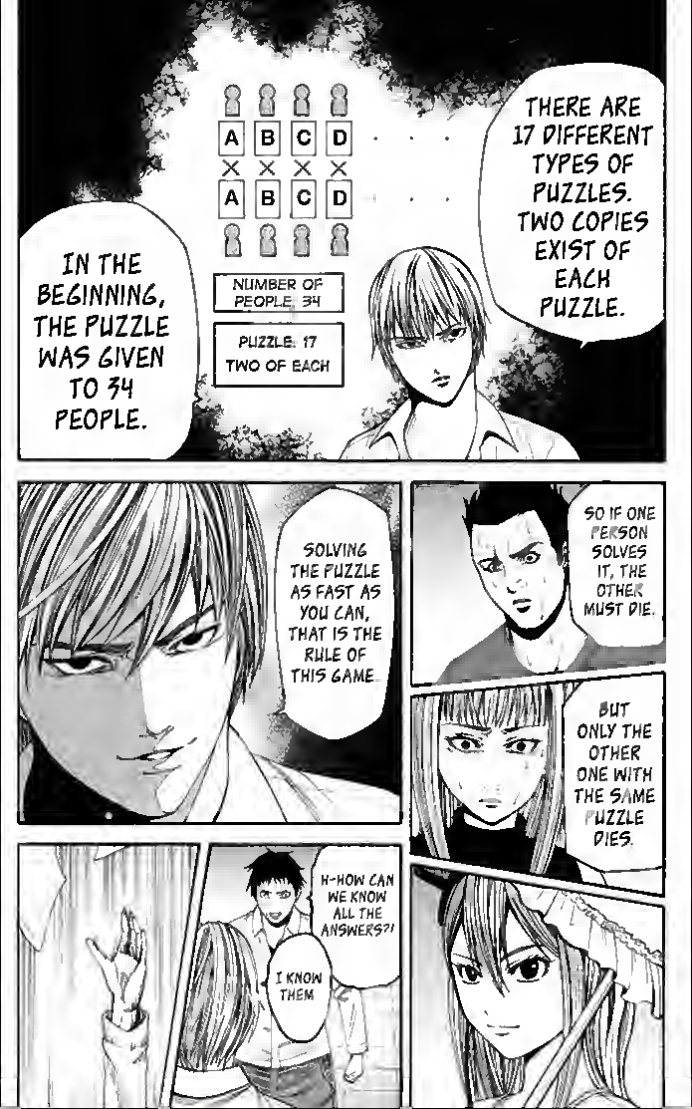
NANA-MI?!
TH-THERE'S NO MIS-TAKE! JUST NOW, ONE PERSON SOLVED IT, AND THE OTHER ONE DIED!
AH!
?!
NANA-!!
NANA-MI!!!

!?
I SOLVED IT!
S-SOMEONE! IF WE STOP THE BLOOD, WE CAN STILL SAVE HIM!!
HA... HA...
!?
ZISCH
WHY..
THIS IS ABSURD
IT'S FINE IF WE DON'T SOLVE IT RIGHT.
IF WE DON'T SOLVE IT, THEN
WHY.. THIS..
WH-

NO ONE NEEDS TO DIE...
WHY...
THIS IS CRAZY...
ARE THERE NO OTHER WAYS?
WHAT'S LEFT OVER IS..
!?

ONE PERSON,
RIGHT?


WHAT IS THAT GUY-
TALKING ABOUT?
LEFT OVER...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NUMBER OF PEOPLE: 34
PUZZLE: 17 TWO OF EACH
IN THE BEGINNING, THE PUZZLE WAS GIVEN TO 34 PEOPLE.
THERE ARE 17 DIFFERENT TYPES OF PUZZLES. TWO COPIES EXIST OF EACH PUZZLE.
SOLVING THE PUZZLE AS FAST AS YOU CAN, THAT IS THE RULE OF THIS GAME.
SO IF ONE PERSON SOLVES IT, THE OTHER MUST DIE.
BUT ONLY THE OTHER ONE WITH THE SAME PUZZLE DIES.
H-HOW CAN WE KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS?!
I KNOW THEM

I'VE SOLVED EVERY SINGLE PUZZLE OF EVERY PERSON WHO LEFT THIS ROOM.

!?
ARATA!
THAT'S WHY THERE ARE TWO COPIES OF EACH PUZZLE.
WHEN ONE PERSON SOLVES THE PUZZLE, THE OTHER HAS TO DIE

WHAT IS?

ARATA DID YOU KILL SOME-ONE?
WHAT ARE YOU SAY-ING?
THIS IS MURDER!
YEAH SO WHAT?

THIS IS WRONG!

NOT SOLVING THE PUZZLE FIRST EQUALS DEATH. THIS APPLIES TO EVERYONE.
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, YOU HAVE TO SOLVE THE PUZZLE
?
DO YOU KNOW OF THE MILGRAM EXPERIMENT?
OR THE STANFORD PRISON EXPERIMENT?
THEY ARE EXPERIMENTS WHERE PEOPLE CAN EASILY BE PARTICULARLY CRUEL UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS.

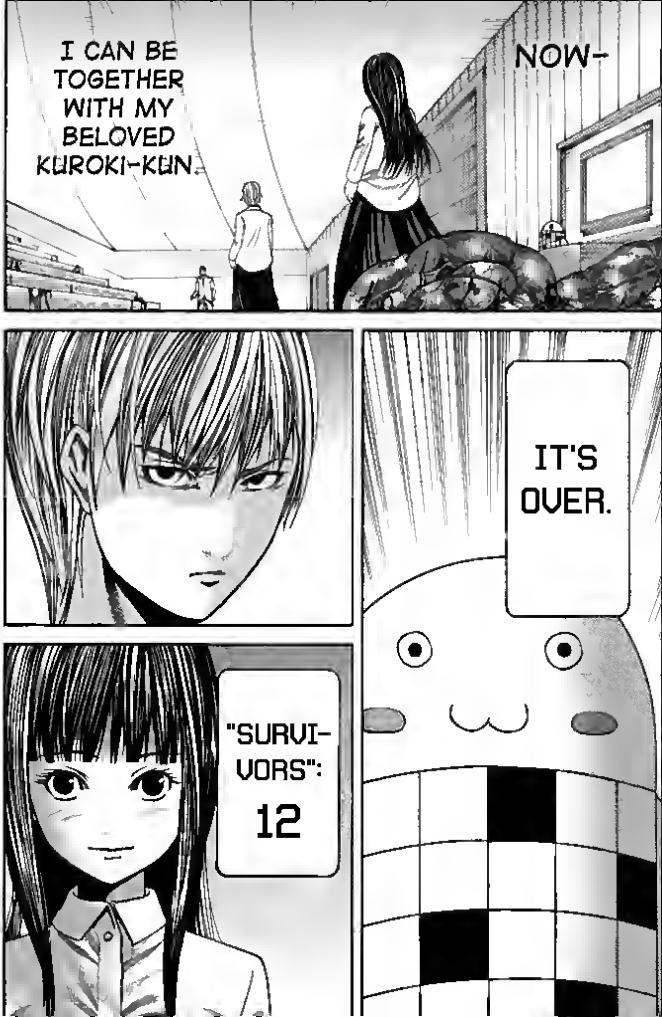
WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
WHEN GIVEN THE RIGHT OPPORTUNITY, HUMANS CAN KILL WITHOUT A SECOND THOUGHT.

WH-
YOU'RE ASKING WHY?
THAT'S BECAUSE
ISN'T IT SAD THAT OTHER PEOPLE DIED?
EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE STRANG-ERS?
JUST LIKE PEOPLE IN BOOKS.

CAN'T IT-
BE...
WH-
WHY

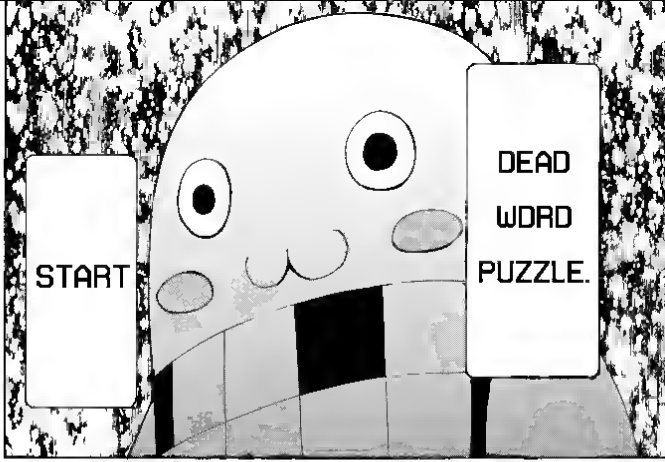
?!
ARATA
!!
WAIT

YOUR INTESTINES POPPED OUT AND YOU STILL WON'T SHUT UP.
MORON.
UGGH
UGH
HYPOCRITE.
YOU'RE SO ANNOYING, YOU...
YOU CAN WATCH THIS FROM NIRVANA.


I CAN BE TOGETHER WITH MY BELOVED KUROKI-KUN.
NOW-
IT'S OVER.
"SURVI-VORS": 12

SURVI-
VORS!?
LIVE...
LIVE
...
WE
SURVI-
VED...!
WE'RE
ALIVE
...
WE
SURVI-
VED!!

NEXT UP IS-
WE'RE STILL ALIVE!!


START
DEAD
WORD
PUZZLE.

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